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FOLLOWING ARE HIGHLIGHTS FROM UN OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION
TRANSCRIPT OF BOUTEFLIKA'S PRESS CONFERENCE AT UN, DECM 20:

1. BOUTEFLIKA BEGAN BY PRAISING ATTENTION PAID BY PRESS TO UN ACTIVITIES. HE DESCRIBED CERTAIN PROBLEMS DURING 29TH GA AS "SPECTACULAR", INCLUDING SOUTH AFRICA, MIDDLE EAST, ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES, AND CHARTER REVIEW. HE REFERRED TO MEETING HE HAD JUST HAD WITH AMBASSADOR SCALI, WHICH PRESIDENT OF UN CORRESPONDENTS ASSOC. HAD MENTIONED IN EXPLAINING BOUTEFLIKA'S DELAY. BOUTEFLIKA OBSERVED THAT HE AND AMBASSADOR SCALI HAD DISCUSSED WORK OF 29TH GA AND "PROBLEMS AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAS IN RELATION TO AMERICAN PUBLIC OPINION. IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT ALTHOUGH NOT EVERYTHING WRITTEN IN AMERICAN PRESS NECESSARILY REFLECTS VIEWS AND OPINIONS OF AMERICAN CITIZEN FROM OTHER POINTS OF VIEW AMERICAN PRESS DOES FAITHFULLY AND CLEARLY REFLECT THE CONCERN OF THE AMERICANS."

2. BOTEFLIKA SAID THAT PRES OF GA DOES NOT MAKE LAW: IT
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IS GA WHICH DOES. "PRESS COULD HAVE SAID THAT WE

WERE DEALING WITH A GA THAT WAS NO LONGER QUITE SAME AS BEFORE, RATHER THAN WITH A PRES WHO WAS TRYING TO TRANSFORM ASSEMBLY INTO SOMETHING IT WAS NOT..". QUALITY OF PERSONAL RELATIONS AND RELATIONS BETWEEN ALGERIAN AND US RULE OUT ANY GRIEVANCE OR ANY NEGATIVE APPROACH IN WAY OF TAKING UP PROBLEMS.

3. WE CAN SAY AS OF NOW THAT THIRD WORLD HAS EMERGED WHICH "INTENDS TO MAKE ITSELF UNDERSTOOD AND, IF NEED BE, RESPECTED." RESULTS OF DEBATES HAVE NOT BEEN DISCOURAGING. THIRD WORLD HAS BEEN REASONABLE. IT IS NOT TELLING PRIVILEGED TO GIVE UP EVERYTHING OR AT ONCE.

4. TURNING TO SOUTH AFRICA, BOUTEFLIKA OBSERVED THAT GA HAD BEEN FRUSTRATED BY TRIPLE VETO IN SC AND HAD ISSUED WARNING TO SOUTH AFRICA THROUGH SUSPENSION. WHILE SOUTH AFRICANS ARE FULL-FLEDGED AFRICANS., BUT THEY MUST UNDERSTAND BLACK AFRICANS WHO LIVE WITH THEM AND THEIR NEED FOR BETTER TREATMENT. IN PASSING, BOUTEFLIKA OBSERVED THAT COMPARATIVELY LITTLE ATTENTION WAS GIVEN ANNOUNCEMENT BY NETHERLANDS REP OF FORTHCOMING INDEPENDENCE OF SURINAM AND NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. COMMENTING ON REVERSAL OF HAMBRO RULING, BOUTEFLIKA SAID INTERNATIONAL LAW CANNOT BE ISOLATED FROM POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL CONTEXT.

5. IN REPLY TO A QUESTION CONCERNING HIS OWN PERFORMANCE, BOUTEFLIKA SAID "I CANNOT BE MANIPULATED; I CANNOT BE CORRUPTED AND I AM NOBODY'S SERVANT." RETURNING AGAIN TO DISCUSS DEBATE ON UN ROLE, BOUTEFLIKA SAID HE PREFERRED PEOPLE TO SAY "WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY". "I WOULD NOT WISH IN ANY WAY TO MAKE A JUDGEMENT ABOUT THE PROLITICIANS WHO ARE IN THIS PLACE...BECAUSE THEY BELONG TO THEIR OWN PARLIAMENTS..VIEW THE FACTS IN THE WORLD FROM THEIR OWN ANGLES AND ARE UNDER INFLUENCE OF CIRCLES IN WHICH THEY ARE INVOLVED...".

6. BOTEFLIKA DEFENDED RECEPTION GIVEN ARAFAT. NOTHING IN ORGANIZATION'S HISTORY PREVENTED HIM FROM ACCORDING HEAD OF STATE HONORS TO ARAFAT. PSYCHOLOGICAL PREPARATION WAS OFFERED TO ENCOURAGE CREATION OF POLITICAL CLIMATE WHICH COULD LEAD TO DIALOGUE AND "HAPPY FUTURE".

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7. TURNING TO SPECIAL FUND, BOUTEFLIKA REGRETTED THAT "PART OF THE WEST..AND I AM NOT THINKING OF EUROPE..DID NOT ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH WORK OF FORTHERING FUND.

8. IN CLOSING, BOUTEFLIKA SAID THAT "WE MUST CONTINUE THE DIALOGUE; I BELIEVE THAT WE MUST CONTINUE TO TRY TO CONVINCE EACH OTHER; AND I BELIEVE THAT, REGARDLESS OF HOW THINGS BEGIN, WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THAT THEY SHOULD BEGIN; THEY WILL ACQUIRE

THE SCOPE AND IMPORTANCE THAT THEY SHOULD HAVE IN DUE TIME, AND
AS THE SITUATION CHANGES."

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